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**DATE:** March 2, 2009

**TO:** All Local Health Departments  
Attn: Chief Food Specialist

**FROM:** A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS  
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**SUBJECT:** Betty Lou's Inc. Expands -Peanut Recall

**SUGGESTED ACTION:** Peanut Recall; Due to *Salmonella typhimurium*; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone, fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in Indiana. Betty Lou's Nut Butter Peanut Butter Protein Balls were distributed nationally through retail health food stores, wholesalers and direct to customer sales. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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### Betty Lou's Inc. Expands Nationwide Recall Of Nut Butter Peanut Butter Protein Balls Because Of Possible Health Risk

**Contact:**  
Betty Lou's Inc.  
1-800-242-5205

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** -- February 26, 2009 -- Betty Lou's Inc. of McMinnville, Oregon is expanding their current recall of Betty Lou's Nut Butter Peanut Butter Protein Balls because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Salmonella*. The 138,156 additional balls were manufactured using peanut products recalled by Peanut Corporation of America. *Salmonella* is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with *Salmonella* often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with *Salmonella* can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more serious illnesses such as arterial infections (i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis.

Betty Lou's Nut Butter Peanut Butter Protein Balls were distributed nationally through retail health food stores, wholesalers and direct to customer sales.

All Nut Butter Peanut Butter Protein Balls distributed from January 1, 2008 to February 16, 2009 are involved in this recall. Potentially affected products can be identified by the following Best By Dates:

BEST BY 29AUG09	BEST BY 29JUN09	BEST BY 12JUN09
BEST BY 06MAY09	BEST BY 25APR09	BEST BY 15APR09
BEST BY 04APR09	BEST BY 01MAR09	BEST BY 18FEB09
BEST BY 26JAN09	BEST BY 22DEC08	BEST BY 12DEC08
BEST BY 07DEC08	BEST BY 16NOV08	BEST BY 17NOV08
BEST BY 19OCT08	BEST BY 05OCT08	BEST BY 27SEP08

BEST BY 20SEP09 dated product was made with nuts from a separate supplier **not affected** by this or any other recall. All further production runs of Betty Lou's Nut Butter Peanut Butter Balls will be made using this new supplier and will not be part of this recall.

The balls are packaged in 1.7 oz. packages in 40 or 70-count plastic jars and 18-count printed boxes.

#### UPC Coding

Individual packages: 0 16073 52143 4

40-count jars: 0 16073 52123 6

70-count jars: 0 16073 52103 8

18 count boxes: 0 16073 52113 7

No known illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this product. The recall was initiated after it was determined that the peanuts used to coat the balls were manufactured by Peanut Corporation of America. Betty Lou's Inc. has informed the FDA of its actions and is fully cooperating with the Agency.

Consumers who have purchased Betty Lou's Peanut Butter Protein Balls with the above code dates are urged to return them to the place of purchase for a full refund. Consumers with questions may contact Betty Lou's Inc. at 1-800-242-5205 between the hours of 8:00 am – 5:00 pm (PST).

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